

STURGEON LAKE DISTRICT

Bright Prospects For This Portion of the District During the Summer.

A very busy summer is anticipated for the newly opened up Sturgeon Lake district.

At present there are a number of prospectors there, from the Seine, Sawbill and Manitou, but the majority of these have spent part of last summer on Sturgeon Lake and are now doing a little work on locations discovered then. With the deep snow, as well as the heavy timber and moss to contend against, little new work can be done before spring. A number of the prospectors, not content with being 90 miles away from the railway, are intending to get into the more remote north, out to, and beyond, Lac St. Joseph and towards the shores of the Hudson's Bay.

Mr. Alan Sullivan has just sent in a party to prospect, presumably for the Anglo-Canadian Gold Estates, and some indignation is expressed because prospectors fear a general blanketing of the country, but, as far as we can learn, these suspicions are without foundation.

Ignace, about sixty miles east of Wabigoon, is the starting place for the Sturgeon Lake country, and is a divisional point on the C.P.R., with excellent hotel accommodation. Mr. Thos. Davison being in charge of the big stone hotel built by Mr. W. H. Cobb. In the summer months the gold fields are reached by a series of lakes and portages, so that no craft heavier than the canoe can be used, but during this winter the sleigh road has been kept open by constant travel, and stopping places have been built at convenient distances along the route, thus making the journey a less serious undertaking than it would otherwise be.

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and it is not until the waters of Sturgeon Lake itself are reached that any considerable amount of surveying has been done. From that point one begins to see the image and superposition of the surveyors in the woods, as one passes first Shores' lower camp, then his upper, then the buildings on the Steele locations, finally reaching, after a ninety-mile journey north from the railway, the Symmes' properties with well-appointed camps and the machinery gradually accumulating at the mine.

The locations, BG 155, 156, 157, 158 and 159 are the furthest north of any yet taken up in the district, and lie on the west shore of the long peninsula which divides the northern portion of Sturgeon Lake into two deep bays, and together with all the other important properties as yet taken up there, are in the Thunder Bay district.

Mr. H. D. Symmes C. E., of Niagara, Ont., the manager of the mine, has just been called to the east by the death of his father, but his absence has not interrupted the work at present under way.

The veins is a remarkably rich one, about three or four feet wide, and carries extraordinarily high values, visible gold being found all through the ore, through the highest percentage of the values is in the concentrates, a recent amalgamation test having shown that 37 per cent of the gold will be caught on the plates.

Mr. Symmes' syndicate is putting in a complete ten-stamp mill, although there has been very little work done on the vein, the shaft at the end of last week being only down 17 feet, at which depth however it holds values, through the visible golds getting finer than it was on the surface. They consider that they have enough surface ore carrying good values to keep this mill running without needing to go deep, and are not putting in any more machine drills. The machinery is now all on the road, and will get to the properties before the winter trails break up.

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crosscut the reef, making a deep open cut, and find out what the proposition is worth.

The Shores' two camps are not working, a man being in charge, but it is believed that work will be commenced again in a few weeks.

These three are the most important mining enterprises in the new district, but locations are being taken up and surveyed rapidly. A. T. Ward having placed his familiar S.V. on the corners of several during his recent trip from Ignace.

A good map, on rather a small scale, was made by J. Robertson, surveyor with No. 9 exploratory party, last summer, showing the configuration of this district, and Messrs. Speight, Van Nostrand & Ward will prepare an enlarged map of the Sturgeon Lake gold fields, on the usual scale of 1 mile to the inch, giving the surveys up to date. This map will be on sale at the office of the Wabigoon Star.

The samples of quartz brought from the region are of a whitish color, with darker patches through them, in which dark spots the visible gold is usually found. The veins of auriferous quartz seem to be less plentiful than in some of the other districts, but apparently have the merit of carrying their gold values evenly distributed through the entire body, not in paystreaks or chutes. These conclusions, however, are only the results of very scanty data, and further prospecting and development may show that mining on Sturgeon Lake offers pretty much the same problems to the mining men and engineers as on the Manitou, Seine River and Lake of the Woods. — Wabigoon Star.

ABANDONED A TRIP.

Young Man's Arrest for Theft Story of His Employer.

St. Paul Dispatch, 23.—Thomas Howard has abandoned a proposed trip to California. He will remain in the county jail until his father, who is in Winnipeg, can be heard from.

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MINING INDUSTRY REVIVAL

Coming Summer Promises to See a Great Advance.

The approach of spring is being signified by the renewal of mining activity which is being reported all over western Ontario.

The Sultana, will soon be running the 30 stamp mill night and day on probably the best quartz that has ever been milled there. During the past year, under the thorough going policy of this English company, more development has been done than in the whole previous history of the mine, and they have now immense reserves of ore opened up.

All the improvements which have been going on at the Mikado during the past year in the rearrangement and enlarging of the mill, the erection and equipment of a new shaft house and the sinking of the new incline shaft have been completed, so that the company is now in a position to mine and mill in the most economical manner. Last month in sinking No. 2 shaft a very rich body of quartz was struck. It was encountered almost directly below where the rich body was discovered two years ago, and it is believed that these rich pockets will be discovered at regular intervals. This taken in conjunction with the large body of medium grade ore in the other shaft should produce great results in the mill.

The development work at the Stella, Mammoth and other properties is progressing very satisfactorily.

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The Dino, owned by the Great Granite Co., is also expected to open up with the commencement of spring.

When he was permitted to see his wife, the recognition was instantaneous. Shortly afterward the old man staggered from the room and fainted. He rallied during the afternoon, but in the evening when he witnessed his wife's suffering again he collapsed and was carried to a bed in a semi-conscious condition.

Friday he died, and Saturday, with the greatest secrecy he was buried in a cemetery nearly ten miles out of town.

Before he died he said he was a ranch owner with property in Colorado, and on his person was found a large amount of currency and some valuable papers. The funeral was conducted so quietly that the mother still believes the father lives and is in the room opposite her own, ill.

Doubling the Dividends.

The Homestake Mining company's stock of South Dakota, has reached \$90 per share. The first sale that has been made for several months, was transferred in New York two weeks ago, when fifty shares were sold for \$80 per share. It is now believed that the stock will steadily climb until it reaches par value, or \$100 per share. There are those who believe that within the next five years, the stock will go to \$150 per share or more. The dividends that have been paid by the company for some time past, have been fifty cents per share and there is no reason why the dividends should not be doubled this season. The capacity of the mills have been almost doubled by the increase in the flow of water from Spearfish creek and when the new cyanide plants are in operation, it is safe to say that twice as much bullion will be gotten out as a year ago.

THE TOWN COUNCIL

The regular meeting of the council was held last evening. Couns. Brydon, Belyea, Horswill, Hudson and Mayor Cameron were present.

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The accounts of Geo. McCannan and Mrs. McDonald were referred to the finance committee.

The request of Jno. A. McCrossan

The mayor and treasurer were authorized to issue cheque for \$10 in favor of Mrs. Peltier for goods supplied by order of ex-mayor McCarthy.

Coun. Belyea gave notice that at next meeting of the council he would introduce a bylaw for the purpose of leasing the park on Coney Island for a term of three years.

Coun. Horswill gave notice that he would introduce a motion at the next meeting to amend the plumbing by-law.

Coun. Belyea gave notice that he would introduce a bylaw for the purpose of appointing a committee to be known as the water works committee.

THE SITUATION SERIOUS.

A Japanese Squadron Sails for Korea — Intense Hatred of Russia

London, March 24.—"A Japanese squadron, Admiral Tsuchihashi commanding, left Nagasaki Saturday for Korea," says the Yokohama correspondent of the Daily Mail.

"The general opinion here is that the situation is serious. Urgent instructions have been issued by the minister of war, Gen. Viscount Katsura, to the commanders of forts to attend a conference in Tokyo to consider questions of home defence.

"The war rumors are causing a fall in prices on the various bourses. The feeling of the country is uneasy and intensely anti-Russian, but the cabinet shows no indication of its policy."

ROBERT HENRY JORDAN.

The reaper Death entered the precincts of our town Saturday morning, March 21st, and claimed our worthy friend and esteemed brother, Robert Henry Jordan, aged 27 years, who leaves behind him a beloved wife and child.

Our friend came to this place from Carleton Place, Ont., last June and through his exemplary life and noble character he won for himself a host of friends, who feel the sad loss of a true and noble friend.

A large company of friends and members of the L. O. L. and C. O. F. met at his residence, Cor. Julia and Savage streets to attend the funeral and pay their last tribute of respect to their friend and brother. After the service, conducted by Rev. W. M. Rochester, the company followed the remains to the O. P. R. station, and with the sorrowing wife and child left

WHEN IS A MINE SALTED?

An Interesting Article by W. J. Chalmers on the Salting of Mines.

In the Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia, January 19th, is a very interesting article by W. J. Chalmers on the salting of mines. Most of the methods touched upon by Mr. Chalmers are somewhat hoary with age and hardly applicable to mining operations at the present day. One would judge from Mr. Chalmers' experiences that there was only one class of people in the world that were adepts at mine salting, and those people the original owners, the discoverer or prospector. The actual salting of mines by the old well known methods has actually gone out of date and is not practiced today, but the more progressive and up-to-date method of salting a mine is not to salt the mine at all but to salt the engineer's report by greasing his fingers.

"We learn from the Associated Press dispatches that General Alger, some years ago, thought he had been swindled by some method of salting, and went so far as to have the parties arrested; but even if the mine was salted at that time it has since proven to be a very rich property, so weak, when can a mine truthfully be considered as salted?

The manner in which a great many people invest in mining is sufficient to open the way for most any kind of a smooth promoter to get along very nicely without resorting to the old methods of salting.

Usually a friend of those interested in the purchase of a mining property is selected to go out and examine the mining property simply because they know him to be honest, not that he knows anything about the business. Getting into the property he is easily led to the richest portions of the deposit, and from one to another and not being well posted in the business is easily convinced that it is a most wonderful property. Furthermore, it is very natural for the man who is on the ground to become enthusiastic, in fact, the most natural thing in the world, and the less he knows about the business the more enthusiastic he becomes.

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Ladies' Flannelette Wrappers in dark colors in spots, stripes and plaids waist lined, regular \$1.25. Sale \$1.00.

Ladies' Flannelette Wrappers in blue and purple trimmed with frill waist lined, regular \$1.50. Sale \$1.25.

Ladies' Flannelette Wrappers in figured and check effects pleated back braid trimmed, regular \$1.75. Sale \$1.50.

Ladies' Stylish Wrappers made of waipette in handsome designs and trimmed with satin ribbon, regular \$2.25. Sale \$1.75.

Ladies' Flannelette Night Dresses Reduced.

Ladies' Striped Flannelette Night Dresses trimmed with full fall sizes, regular 75c. Sale 55c.

Ladies' Flannelette Night Dresses in pink and blue stripes, embroidered fronts, regular \$1. Sale 85c.

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Ladies' Flannelette Skirts with deep flounce reduced to 75 and 85c, regular price 90c and \$1.

Hudson Bay Stores

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"PRAYER OFFICE" NO GOOD.

Sad and Strange Story of the Death of the Wife of a Dowie Disciple.

Halifax, March 24.—According to the Kentville Wedge, a sad and strange story of death comes from Scots Bay, King's County. The deceased was the wife of a Dowie disciple. Ten days before her death a baby was born. The mother remained weak and grew worse, but no medicines were given her, nor was a doctor called in. When the prayers of the household did not avail, the husband sent the following telegram to Chicago:

March 4, 1901.
To J. H. Dowie:
Pray at once for my wife: very low. Will pay for answer.
No immediate answer came, and a second message was sent, thus:
Pray for wife immediately: very low. Answer prepaid.
That night Dowie wired:
Prayed at 11:30. Trust God only and fully. Will pray again, specially 5 o'clock.
The next day the sick woman became worse, and another telegram was sent:

March 6, 1901.
Pray for wife. Partly conscious. Also pray for nephew. Devil hard at work.
Three hours afterwards the sick woman died.
Later Dowie wired:
Chicago, March 7, 1901.
Thank God for partial victory. Give up all medicine, pork and tobacco, and every sin; confess, restore. Will pray victory.
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The Wendigo, Crown Point, Tyroon and a number of other properties will, we are informed, also commence operations.

Ores for Buffalo.

It seems to be a difficult matter to awaken sufficient interest in the Lake of the Woods district regarding a suitable exhibit of our mineral wealth at the forthcoming exhibition at Buffalo. Nearly all mining men are agreed that it is important that the district should be well represented, but there appears to be an apathy and indifference which prohibits action in the matter. If our local mining men go to sleep over a such importance as this it is not to be wondered at that outsiders come to the conclusion that if men on the spot have not confidence they have at least grounds for distrust. There is hardly any expenditure connected with the matter and but little work. Mr. Charlesworth, the local Crown Lands agent, will see that all samples are carefully forwarded.

MYSTERIOUS.

Aged and Unknown Husband Comes Home to Die.

Grand Rapids, Mich., March 22.—Within the past ten days at the country home of Charles P. Lambert, a prominent member of society and business circles, a thrilling and almost incredible drama has been enacted. It has been generally believed for the past 25 years that Mrs. Lambert, the aged mother of Charles Lambert, was a widow. Recently the aged lady was stricken with paralysis and began to call for her husband. All attempts to soothe her were in vain. One week ago an aged stranger drove to the house and asked Miss Clara Lambert if he might see Mrs. Lambert. Miss Lambert refused on account of her mother's illness.

"Are you Clara?" asked the old gentleman.

"Yes," was the answer.

"I am your father," he said, with a sob, and he was admitted to the house.

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The request of Jno. A. McCrossan for the use of the council chamber on Tuesday and Wednesday evening for the purpose of instructing census enumerators was granted.

The communication of Jno. Nash re road at Norman, was referred to a special committee composed of Conns, Hudson, Brydon, Horswill and Belyea, to make a full and complete inspection of the road in question, and report at the next meeting of the council.

The fire, water and light committee submitted their report as follows:

That the offer of Richard Hall to supply a plan of the water works system for the sum of \$40 be accepted. That the services of the plumbing inspector be dispensed with from and after the 31st of March until such further arrangements are made as the council may determine, and that the clerk notify him to this effect.

That the chairman of this committee be authorized to offer a supply of water for the C. P. R. garden station grounds.

That the water works account be credited with \$40 for each hydrant per year, and be charged to town for fire protection account.

That Jas. Weidman be advised that at present no action can be taken towards extending the system of water works as he requested towards Winnipeg river.

The report of the fire, water and light committee was received and adopted.

On account of no meeting of the finance committee the following accounts were passed by the council: T. R. Deacon, \$18.00; H. R. Woodley, \$60.00; C. P. R. Telegraph, 50 cts.; S. C. Sharrman, \$220.00; Water works pay roll, \$25.22; Pay roll fire dept., \$13.29.

The clerk was instructed to communicate with C. C. Chipman, Land Commissioner of the Hudson Bay Co., requesting the company to open a right of way on north side of C. P. R. Co's tracks, so as to extend Hamilton street from C. P. R. Co's right of way to sixth street.

The chairman of the board of works was requested to submit an estimate of probable cost of a suitable foot-bridge across C. P. R. tracks on Julius street and report at next meeting.

ROBERT HENRY JORDAN.

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The pall bearers were Messrs. G. H. Alcock, J. Stanton, H. Woodley, of the C. O. F., and M. Sweeney, S. Wilson and E. Little, of the L. O. L.

The bereaved relatives have the sympathy of the host of friends in this vicinity. We trust that He who is a Father to the Fatherless and a Husband to the widow, will uphold and strengthen the sorrowing wife and child until, on the shores of eternity in that land where parting never comes, they will meet again.

Card of Thanks.

We have received the following letter from David Jordan, the brother of Robert, whose obituary appears above:

Dear Sir,—Would you kindly permit me through your columns to express to those kind friends our heartfelt gratitude for the practical sympathy they have shown us at this time of our sore bereavement. The Canadian Order of Foresters and the Orange society have been unremitting in their kindness. The memory of this will never be lost.

Yours sincerely,
DAVID JORDAN.

Hanged in Toronto Jail.

Toronto, March 21.—Mrs. Alice Sumers, wife of a saddler living in the west end, was arrested in a departmental store the other day, charged with theft. She denied the charge, and refused to give her name. Her home was discovered, however, and an investigation showed two trunks full of new women's underwear, and undoubtedly stolen. The woman was remanded. Today in the county jail she took a sheet, tore it into strips and hanged herself.

DIED.

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Capt. J. A. Triggs leaves tomorrow morning on a trip to St. Paul, Duluth, Chicago and other cities on mining business. He will be accompanied to Duluth by Mrs. Triggs who will visit her old home.

A special meeting of the shareholders of the Hawk Bay Gold Mining Company was held at Hamilton last week, when it was unanimously decided to voluntarily wind up the company and appoint C. S. Scott of this city liquidator. Another special meeting will be held shortly to confirm the company's resolution. The Hawk Bay property is near that of the Saw Bill Company.

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MINERAL PRODUCTION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In commenting upon the mineral production of British Columbia, the Vancouver News-Advertiser says that the figures must convince the most sceptical that the mining industry of the province is on a sound and permanent basis. All that it asks now is that it be let alone, and that the legislature and the government abstain from tinkering the mining laws at this time. We intend on an early occasion to discuss this question more fully and to show that while there is a demand for the removal of some of the requirements in the present law, the course which should be taken (and which will have to be taken at some time in the future) is in the opposite direction.

We hear a good deal of sentimental nonsense talked about "the poor prospector" and the claims he has for greater indulgence. The real interests of that individual will be best served by the abolition of a system which allows thousands of claims to be locked up from year to year for a fee of two or three dollars. The interests of miners and prospectors, the encouragement necessary for the introduction of capital, and the development of this great industry of British Columbia will sooner or later cause a change in the law which will bring it more into line with the laws prevailing in other countries. But sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof, and we trust that no change will be made in the present session.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Minnesota senate last week passed a bill prohibiting the marriage of insane, epileptic and idiotic persons and requiring a medical certificate for all applicants for marriage licenses.

With the logging season closing parties of woodsmen are arriving in Rat Portage from the various camps and with money burning holes in their pockets merchants and others are feeling a revival of trade. There has been an unusually large number of men engaged in the logging and tie industries during the past winter, and as the wages paid have been generally higher than heretofore the effect of this increased expenditure of money should be rapidly felt.

SUFFERING WOMEN

A MESSAGE OF HOPE TO THE WEAK AND DEPRESSED.

A Grateful Woman Tells of Her Release From the Agonies That Afflict Her Sex After Three Doctors Had Failed to Help Her.

The amount of suffering borne by women throughout the country can never be estimated. Silently, almost hopelessly, they endure from day to day afflictions that can only fall to the lot of women. The following story of the suffering and release of Mrs. Charles Hoeg, of Southampton, N. S., ought to bring hope and health and happiness to other sufferers. Mrs. Hoeg says:—"For nine out of the thirty-two years of my life I have suffered as no woman, unless she has been similarly afflicted, can imagine I could suffer and yet have lived. Three weeks out of four I would be unable to move about and, indeed, at no time was really fit to attend to my household duties. I consulted physicians—three of the most skillful doctors in the county of Cumberland at different times had charge of my case. These treatments varied, and while at times I would experience some relief; at no time was there any hope given me of a permanent cure. Many a night when I went to bed I would have been glad if death had come before morning. I never had much faith in proprietary medicines, but at one time I took a half dozen bottles of a blood-making compound that was highly recommended. This like everything else, failed to help me. There seemed to be not a particle of blood in my body. My face was absolutely colorless, and my appetite almost entirely deserted me. I often saw in the newspapers letters testifying to the merits of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, but nine years of suffering and discouragement had made me too sceptical to see any hope of relief, when doctors had failed to effect a cure. But at last I came across the story of a cure near home—that of Mr. Moses Boss, of Rodney. I knew that at one time he had been regarded as a hopeless consumptive, and his cure through Dr. Williams' Pink Pills determined me to try them. I had not taken two boxes before I began to feel better, and grew confident of a cure. I kept on taking the pills, all the time feeling new blood in my veins, activity returning to my limbs, and the feeling of depression gradually wearing away. To many women it may seem incredible that the mere making of new blood in my veins could restore to a healthy condition misplaced internal organs, but this has been my happy experience. My pains have all left me, and I am now as healthy as a woman can be in this place. This health I owe to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, which have rescued me from a life of suffering, if not from the grave."

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It is One's Duty to Present a Pleasing Appearance.

This story is told in Denver of a man who was once a leading merchant there. In the early days of the city he walked its streets, out of work and money. He was poorly clad, but neat and clean. He sought employment from a prosperous grocer and said he was willing to do anything. The merchant at length sent him into his cellar to clean out a room so foully dirty that many a common laborer had refused to enter it. When the young man appeared in the evening, he was as neat in his appearance as he had been in the morning. Of course the merchant thought he had done little or nothing. But when he saw the cellar, clean and fresh, he said to the young man:

"You've not only shown that you are willing to work, but also that you have some respect for yourself. I guess I'll give you a job."

This young man, who in a few years became the head of the software business, realized the important fact that the worker is often scrutinized as closely as his work.

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Reptiles crawl in richly mottled skins; beasts of burden and birds of prey are clad in fur and gay plumage. Trees blossom in wonderful foliage, and that most plebeian of vegetables, the onion, reveals below the ground in colors that artists seek to imitate and above ground in a leafage and bloom odd and beautiful.

Everywhere in nature beauty is combined with use. It is repulsive for man, the highest and noblest specimen of the Creator's handiwork, to be the dabb in the color scheme of the universe.

Reasoning From Analogy.

Fredly is the son of a fourth avenue stockbroker, you will understand, and is therefore familiar with some of the terms of the profession.

"Papa," said Fredly.
"Well, my son?"
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that no change will be made in the present session.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Minnesota senate last week passed a bill prohibiting the marriage of insane, epileptic and idiotic persons and requiring a medical certificate of all applicants for marriage licenses.

With the logging season closing parties of woodmen are arriving in Rat Portage from the various camps, and with money burning holes in their pockets merchants and others are feeling a revival of trade. There has been an unusually large number of men engaged in the logging and tie industries during the past winter, and as the wages paid have been generally higher than heretofore the effect of this increased expenditure of money should be rapidly felt.

British Columbia has practically decided to be represented by a mineral exhibit at Toronto Exhibition this year. The minister of mines is impressed with the special advertising medium which the Toronto fair will be this year, owing to its proximity to Buffalo, and the large number of visitors who would be sure to attend the fair. It has been suggested that the exhibit should be shown at both places, his recent visit to New York having convinced the minister that investors in British Columbia in the near future will be from south of the international boundary line, rather than from England. The mining men of this district should also realize this fact and make an effort to have the Western Ontario exhibit of Gold ores the best at the Pan-American.

Sault Star: The new Dominion Government issue of four dollar bills contains a beautifully executed cut of the American Ship Canal with a Canadian steamer, the Alberta, on the Canadian Pacific Railway Line being locked through into St. Mary's river. If this is a mistake it is a very stupid and inexcusable one on the part of the Government. If it is intentional it is an insult to the people of Canada who have a canal of their own at the Sault quite as good as either of the American. The Government is advertising the American canal as though we had none in Canada. It has long been known that the present administration was lacking in enterprise and patriotism but this is going to an extreme which Canadians generally will not tolerate. We sincerely hope for the honor of Canada that this is only a stupid blunder and if so we trust the Government will call in all bills now issued and correct the mistake at once.

At a meeting of the Australian federal parliament it was announced that a cable was being sent to Premier Laurier urging him to send to Australia 1,000 troops to take part in the confederation ceremonies. This dispatch was sent at the instigation of the State of Victoria, as the colonies are now called, but the announcement is made that if other states think the number not large enough a greater number will be asked for.

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Mount Carmel School.

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"John, John," she called, "there's a gentleman waiting on the porch to see you."

"Who is he?" inquired Blank.

"I don't know," answered the lady, "but I got him from Boston. He's got beans to sell."

"And, mind you," concluded the narrator, "I was never in Boston in my life."

An Eloquent Answer.

A colored citizen gave a justice of the peace a big fat possum as a wedding fee.

Meeting the justice a year after his marriage, the former said:

"Well, Jim, how do you like married life?"

"Well, sah," was the reply, "all I kin say is I wish I'd eat dat possum!"

Not Adventurous Enough.

Dicky: I haven't got to be an express messenger when I'm grown up after all.

Johnnie: Well, then you? You always said you was.

Dicky: I don't keer. I was talkin to an express messenger today who run in cars for 30 years an has never once been in a wreck or held up by robbers.—Express Gazette.

Belated Taxi.

"What made that widow slope? Did her friends object to the match?"

"No, but she said her first marriage was so tame and uninteresting."—Culago Record.

Heretic Treatment.

In Guinea if a child is slow in its movements the parents apply an ant to the child instead of a whip to make it move faster. This ant bites more cruelly than a mosquito, and its bite is apt to be troublesome afterward. As you can imagine this treatment does not make the child any faster, and the children of Guinea are said to be particularly cranky animals. The little boys in Guinea do not reckon their age by years, but by their ability to endure pain. Children go to the point where he can't bear the pain any more without wincing he is considered merely a baby.

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Help to \$75,000 Left by Woman Whom He Battered While She Was Poor.

Woodstock, Ont., March 23.—Dr. Robert Kippen of St. Thomas, who was born and brought up in Woodstock, upon graduating a year ago went to Saint St. Marie, where he practised for a time. While there an old woman, who was in very poor circumstances, was taken ill, and Dr. Kippen was called. She told him that she would be unable to reward him for his services on account of her poverty, but he informed her that that would not prevent her from receiving his most careful attention.

In the course of time the woman, whose name has not been learned, recovered, and afterwards fell heir to a fortune of some \$75,000. She was advanced in years, and having no heirs, bequeathed the entire amount to Dr. Kippen. She recently died, and the doctor, who has already received an instalment, is being congratulated by his friends on all sides.

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"At this time my father-in-law told me to try Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, and said he knew they would cure me. I secured one box and great was my surprise when I began to feel better. I continued their use until I had taken about four boxes, which made me a sound man. I have recommended them to a number of my friends and have never met with one case where they did not meet with good success. My daughter, Mrs. Chas. Phillips, has also been cured of a severe back trouble by the use of these pills. One pill a dose, 25 cents a box, at all dealers."—Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto, Ont.

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THE EVERY DAY RELIGION.

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COL. 3: 17.

The religion that is not good for every day is not good for any day. Such conviction is based upon the teaching of Christ. He found the prevailing ideas of His day very narrow and much perverted. He taught the simplicity and all-pervasiveness of pure religion. Paul re-echoes again and again in his letters the same thought, and aims to emancipate men from their petty treatment of the greatest thing in the world.

There is sore need today to turn to these corrective passages in the teaching of our Lord and His apostles. The Chinese crew upon a house-boat will great earnestness perform their sacrifices as they begin the voyage. They abandon themselves to the profane and indulge freely in all manner of excess. Their religion is supra-mundane. It has nothing to do with earth, and in no degree affects the common activities of life. They shut it up severely by itself, and thus illustrate most aptly the expressed conviction of today. Religion is religion, and business is business; politics is politics, and pleasure is pleasure. With other things religion is supposed to have no concern. The divorce is absolute and permanent. Religion is confined to the church and the door are locked, the windows made fast, the ventilators closed, so that none of it may escape and be seen on the street or in any public place whatsoever. In the words of another, "God's law is not allowed to go into the week. The merchant spies it in his store, he throws it over the counter. If the clerk sees it in the bank, he kicks it out at the door. If it is found in the street, the multitude pursue it, pelting it with stones, as if it were a wolf escaped from a menagerie, and shouting, 'Back with you! You have got out of Sunday!'" That policy of confinement, or exclusion, or limitation may be definitely set forth by considering specific cases. Here is a man to whom religion means church, Sunday, communion, or Lenten period; day, form, or sacrament. It is always in his mind connected with an institution. A great preacher startled his congregation one day by the assertion that there was to such a thing as religion in the Bible. Explanation was added, "Any more than there is a road upon the guide-board. Religion is in the man if it is anywhere." That method

now and again do some things to the honor of Jehovah's name. Let Christianity move with cautious step and prudent stride.

Yet another class is found who qualify religion. To them it is of use only at the hour of death. They believe in it as a sort of extreme unction, an ordinance to be administered only in life's last hour. They know they must cross the dark waters, and a boat is needed, but, like many travellers, they will wait and manufacture the vessel at the river's brink. This form of religion has been likened to life insurance, to use only when a man dies, to a key which is an encumbrance, slight it may be, until one reaches the door to be opened, in this case the door of paradise, to a passport concealed on the person, but produced as soon as the frontier is crossed. What a pitiable delusion is this! Time is often denied men at that great crisis of change. Death comes often at but short notice. Pain, languor, or delirium may then assume control of the faculties. Leisure for this preparation is not always, yea, one may assert, is rarely given upon a death-bed. But beside all this Jesus has taught that religion is for life. It is to be the strength of the living, not a charm for the dying. Without denying that men have found Christ late, late in life, in its last hours, like the dying thief, we must declare and make emphatic the thought of the Bible that religion is for life and strength, for thought and service, for work and pleasure, for all things that fill our human days. And because it has been our support in life it will be our stay in weakness and dissolution. The peace that comforts us through life shall cheer our souls in death.

Hence the need and wisdom of correcting our judgment on this topic by arriving to such principle as this, "And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by Him." Here let us learn that the substance of religion is Christ. He is the all in all of Christianity. We are built upon Him. He is the life and light of men. Learn also that the result of religion is gratitude. Giving thanks to God and the Father by Him. Here let us learn that the substance of religion is Christ. He is the all in all of Christianity. We are built upon Him. He is the life and light of men. Learn also that the result of religion is gratitude. Giving thanks to God and the Father by Him. Here let us learn that the substance of religion is Christ. He is the all in all of Christianity. We are built upon Him. He is the life and light of men. Learn also that the result of religion is gratitude. Giving thanks to God and the Father by Him.

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New York, March 18.—Mrs. Carrie Coburn, aged 38, living on West 18th street, met her death in a shocking manner last night, she being killed by her dog, a fox terrier of unusual intelligence. Mrs. Brodhead, Mrs. Coburn's mother, says her daughter went into the kitchen a few minutes after 7 o'clock. A few minutes later she heard the dog barking excitedly. The mother ran out and found her daughter lying on the floor. She knew it was an epileptic fit and screamed for help. Philip Rockefeller, living in a third floor flat, heard her and ran to

A MIDNIGHT BURIAL.

TRUE STORY OF THE FIRST MASONIC FUNERAL IN ARIZONA.

Owing to a Sequence of Peculiar Incidents the Ceremony Was Delayed and Was Not Completed Until the Sun Peeped Over the Hills.

The following true narrative of the first Masonic burial in Arizona, as related to me by my old friend, Colonel W. M. Williams of Calro, Ills., will doubtless interest your readers. I give it as nearly as possible, in his own words.

In 1890 I was in Arizona as superintendent of the St. Louis Mining company, located on the San Pedro river, a short distance west of what is now known as Tombstone and 40 miles east of Fort Buchanan.

On one occasion I made a visit to the Santa Rita mines, located in another part of the territory. These were managed by Cincinnati parties and were known as the Heintzelman mines. When I arrived there and introduced myself, as none of us had ever met before, I was greeted with that cordial hospitality known only to those who have lived on the frontier or in mining camps by Mr. H. C. Grosvenor of Cincinnati, the superintendent, with two others who occupied positions at the mines.

One of these, Mr. J. T. Mason, I found seriously indisposed; the other I sent to Fort Buchanan to bring Dr. J. B. D. Irwin, surgeon at the post. I then devoted my time to the sick man, who was growing more feeble each hour. He told me if he died he wanted to be buried with Masonic honors.

I had "tried" him and found him to be a bright third degree Mason. I promised to do all I could to carry out his request. He died before morning, and the messenger sent for the doctor had not returned, and it was uncertain as to when, if ever, he might return.

As in those days there were not over 50 Americans in the territory outside of the troops, the taking of life by the Indians was daily expected. In this emergency it devolved upon me to arrange for the burial of our friend. I sent word messengers to Tucson and other places where Americans were known to be to come to my aid.

During the day I selected a beautiful spot overshadowed by a large mesquite tree and there had a very deep grave dug, as in that country the coyote is a kind of hyena, that will unearth any corpse if not laid deep in the ground. This work was done by peons, while I stood guard to keep the Indians from surprising us.

By midnight the messengers I had sent out commenced returning with the few who could come with them. I found among those who arrived two or three Masons, who, like myself, were "rusty" in the Masonic burial ritual. We opened the trunk of the deceased, hoping to find something to guide us in fulfilling his last request. The only thing we discovered was an Episcopal ritual. The following persons composed the funeral cortege: Dr. C. B. Hughes, J. Howard Wells, William S. Oury, H. C. Grosvenor, Colonel Titus, S. Warner and myself.

We had determined to bury the body at night, in the darkness, having no light except a candle in one of the old time perforated tin lanterns by which I could read the service.

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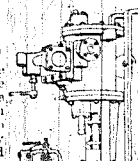


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Local Interest

J.A. McCrossan, manager of the Citizens Electric Co., returned from Toronto Sunday.

Four cars filled with flour were delivered Sunday morning at Keewatin. The wrecking train went over and fixed things up.

Silas Griffith left yesterday for Louisville, Kentucky, and other American cities on mining business. He will be away for some time.

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J.A. McCrossan has been appointed census commissioner for West-Adgoma. He will instruct the enumerators in the council chamber tonight and Friday night.

Jack Seagel has returned from Sania to take his old position as engineer on the Agwinda.

Geo. A. Graham, manager of the Rainy River Navigation Co., has returned from an extensive trip to Toronto and New York and other eastern cities.

The local skating races at Victoria rink last night were well contested and a good deal of enthusiasm shown. The prize-winners were: Boys under 12, W. Derry; Boys under 14, Walter Beaudro; under 16, W. Bellefeuille; Novice-F. Jones. Backward-Roxy Beaudro. 2nd Raters—W. Bellefeuille. 2-mile—S. Bellefeuille.

A committee meeting of town council was held this morning to discuss the building of a new bridge over the east branch of the Winnipeg river, or in place of that to repair the present floating bridge.

Mrs. Williamson the tobaccoist on Second st. was fined by the magistrate for selling cigarettes to boys. The fine was \$10, and costs \$16, making \$26. We trust this will prove a warning to all dealers in the weed who may have been in the habit of infringing on the law regarding the sale to minors.

The hockey match between the married men of Keewatin and Rat Portage was very amusing and afforded a good deal of fun for the spectators, Keewatin winning out by 4-2. The following represented the two teams: Keewatin—Brownlee, Glenn, Craig, Sutherland, Fraser, Gilchrist. Rat Portage—Rogers, Bager, Griffiths, E. Bellefeuille, Link. A. Rose acted as referee.

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The incident wouldn't have happened if a Short-sighted Real Estate Auctioneer Had Not Forgotten His Eyeglasses.

"I owe my start in life to the fact that an estimable old gentleman forgot to put his eyeglasses in his pocket one morning," said a prosperous business man from a sister city. "It's rather a curious story," he went on, "and I'll tell it as briefly as possible. A good many years ago, when I was a young fellow of 25 or thereabouts, I drifted into Louisville in search of a job that didn't materialize, and the upshot of it was that I found myself practically broke in a strange city. Up to that time I had always worked for small wages and had never succeeded in accumulating as much as \$50, but I had an abiding faith that if I could once get hold of a modest stake I could launch out for myself and make some money.

"One morning, when I was wandering about with only two or three silver dollars in my pocket, looking for a chance to go to work at anything that might offer, I dropped into a big down stairs room where some real estate was being sold at auction. A large crowd was present, and there was an indescribable feeling of tension in the air that warned me something unusual was about to happen.

"While I was standing there, only vaguely interested, the auctioneer, who was quite an elderly gentleman, put up a piece of improved city property and after a considerable pause received a bid of \$200. I could see the smallness of the amount excited surprise, and I was also aware of a commotion in one corner where half a dozen previous bidders were gathered together in an excited group. They seemed to be quarrelling about something, and meanwhile the auctioneer was indignantly appealing for a respectable offer.

"Make it \$2,500," he shouted. "Does any gentleman bid \$2,500?" He looked directly at me, and I made a gesture of denial. "Thank you," he exclaimed, greatly to my surprise. "The gentleman over there bids \$2,500, and, if I can help it, no combination of buyers is going to be allowed to denigrate prices at this sale!" With that he suddenly knocked down the property to me.

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NEWS OF THE WORLD

Items of Interest From All Over the World.

To the Lord's Day deputation from Niagara Peninsula yesterday, Premier Ross stated that the Ontario exhibit at the Pan-American fair would not be open on Sundays. In a general way, he stated that anything that could be done to preserve the Lord's Day in its simplicity and quietness would be done.

London, March 23.—It is reported that King Edward contemplates a big exhibition in London, on the lines of the Paris exposition, the idea being to enclose the Thames from Westminster bridge to Albert bridge, including the whole of Battersea park.

Johannesburg, March 21. One mining company has re-started crushing ore and four others are preparing to begin.

General Sir Hamilton recommends that Boer prisoners be sent to Canada to work on the railways. The general has his own opinion of an alien labor law.

Contractor Kelly reports that all is now plain sailing in the construction of the C. P. R. bridge over the Red river, Winnipeg. All four caissons have been successfully sunk and excavation work is progressing. A gang of 125 men are working and relief gangs keep up the work by electric light all night. The stone pier on the east river bank has been completed and material is on the ground for the other piers and abutments.

Archie Mousseau, an old resident of Lorette, Man., dropped dead Friday night. He was engaged in a friendly game of cards with members of his family, and without a word of warning dropped back in his chair and expired. Death was caused by apoplexy.

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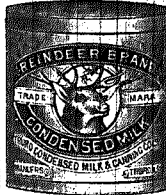
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Mrs. J. P. Eirney returned from Toronto Sunday.

W. Struthers, late of the Hudson's Bay stores here, left Saturday for McLeod, N.W.T., where he intends embarking in business with his brother. While here Mr. Struthers made many friends, and the patrons of the H. B. Co. will miss his genial countenance, as well as his many young friends who will all wish him success in his new venture.

M. Affleck, of the Mikado, has returned from his visit to England, and is registered at the Hilliard.

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T. Creighton, who has been visiting his parents for the past two months, left for Dakota Saturday.

T. Davison and son, of Ignace, were in town yesterday.

The shipyard in connection with the Rat Portage Iron Works presents a busy appearance now, as there have quite a number of boats on the slips under repair.

C. E. Brown and Miss Tilda M. Johnson were married Saturday evening in the Baptist church by Rev. F. T. Tunstall. A wedding supper was afterwards served at the residence of Mr. J. Sunblad. A number of the friends of the contracting parties were present.

Archbishop Machray, of Winnipeg, administered the rite of confirmation to thirty-two candidates in St. Alban's church Sunday morning. There was a large attendance, and the first confirmation that the archbishop will officiate at.

Frederick Villiers, the noted war correspondent, will lecture on the Boer war in the Opera House on Saturday evening under the auspices of St. George's Society.

Good Friday and the Easter holidays are close at hand and the Canadian Pacific Railway announces a reduced rate of fare and one-third transportation for intending taking advantage to visit their friends and relations. This rate has never been offered in previous years in this particular holiday season and it is expected that a large number will take advantage of this opportunity.

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"Look here," I said, drawing him aside. "Do you want to be my silent partner for an hour or so?"

"What'd you mean?" he said.

"I gave him the truth in a dozen words. 'Now let me have that \$500 deposit money,' I added, 'and we'll share the profits, whatever they are.'"

"The little man looked at me awestruck. 'This is a big joke on all of us,' he said, grinning, 'and I guess I'll risk the deal.'"

"At the same time he counted out \$500 and put it in my hands. I raced back to the desk with the cash, clinched the sale and before noon had the deed in my possession. Then, to make a long story short, my silent partner offered me \$1,000 cash for my interest, and as \$1,000 looked about as big as a mountain at that stage of the game I promptly accepted. That thousand, fortunately placed, gave me the start that has kept me going ever since.

"But what about the eyeglasses, did you say? Why, the auctioneer, as I afterward learned, 'was very near-sighted, and on the morning to which I refer he had forgotten his glasses. That was why he mistook my gesture of disavowal for a sign of assent and forced me, in spite of myself, into a good thing. I never understood the exact true inwardness of the deal, but the facts in the rough were that a clique of speculators had formed a combine to keep down prices, but owing to some misunderstanding, failed to bid, promptly on the property which I secured. The auctioneer was on to the game and anxious to break it up before his precipitancy in knocking down the lot to yours truly. I heard, later, that my portly silent partner made \$8,000 out of the transaction, but I didn't begrudge him the money. The \$500 he gave me on faith that morning was worth fully 10 per cent a minute."

Just as Advertised.
"But suppose," one of the spectators said, "the parachute should fall to open after you have detached it from the balloon—what then?"

"That wouldn't stop me," answered the daring aeronaut. "I'd come right on down."—Chicago Tribune.

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Suing Editor of Wabigoon Star.

The Monarch Mining Co., Ltd., by its solicitor, W. J. Clark, Toronto, and finally by the latter's Brampton agent, has filed a writ in the High Court here addressed to John H. Lumbay, of Wabigoon. The claim does not state how much damages are wanted, but it says John H. did slander and libel the Monarch Mining Co., in articles he caused to be published in his paper, the Wabigoon Star, under dates of Feb. 14 and Feb. 21, this year. Brampton, Ont., Banner.

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